

City of Brunswick Maryland



Police Department



2018 Annual Report

Milton E. Frech Jr., Chief of Police Bryan C. Brown, Assistant Chief Chief Milton Frech of the Brunswick Police Department respectfully submits this report as an overview of accomplishments and achievements from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018.

2018 Personnel:

On January 1, 2018, Officer Michael Eyler joined the Brunswick Police Department after retiring from the Frederick County Sheriff's Office. On October 8, 2018 Officer Shawn Kohler was hired as a lateral transfer. He had previously been employed at the Frederick County Sheriff's Office.

2018 Vehicles:

Criminal Homicide

Rape

Robbery

Three new Ford AWD vehicles were ordered and later delivered in the fall of 2018.

2018 Calls for Service:

During the 2018 calendar year, the Brunswick Police handled a total of 11,792 calls for service, a decrease of 337 calls for service from 2017.

4,898 calls were self-initiated patrol checks of locations, 1,291 were traffic stops and 5,603 calls for service originated from dispatch/citizens. Of the 5,603 calls for service, 675 calls required police reports.

2018 Statistical Information:	2018	2017
Call Type Counts	11,792	12,129
Adult Arrests Juvenile Arrests Total Arrests	167 11 156	204 35 239
Maryland Uniform Citations Equipment Repair Orders Warning Citations Parking Citations Motor Vehicle Accidents	431 91 1120 182 157	473 142 1330 304 141
UCR Part I Crimes:	2018	2017

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Assaults	80	139
Burglaries	15	30
Larcenies / Thefts	68	80
Motor Vehicle Thefts	4	8

2018 Grants:

In 2018, the Brunswick Police received \$123,722.00 in grant funding. Several of the grants were as follows:

2018 State Aid for Police Protection: \$87,279.00

The State Aid for Police Protection Fund is a formula-driven funding program used to supplement resources for police protection in local communities. State funds provide additional revenue to support the operational costs of local and county police agencies.

2018 State Homeland Security Program: \$7,756.00

The Brunswick Police Department purchased one mobile police radio and one automated electronic defibrillator. The equipment was purchased and the grant was closed out in December 2018.

2018 Tobacco Enforcement Grant: \$800.00

The Brunswick Police Department received funding from the Frederick County Health Department for tobacco enforcement.

2018 Alcohol Enforcement Grant: \$1200.00

The Brunswick Police Department received funding from the Frederick County Health Department for alcohol enforcement.

2018 Safe Streets Grant: \$7,162.00

The Brunswick Police Department partnered with the Frederick City Police Department to receive a grant from the Federal Safe Street Initiative. The grant was awarded to the Frederick City Police Department with portions distributed to local agencies.

2018 Gun Violence Reduction Grant: \$3,000.00

The Brunswick Police Department partnered with the Frederick City Police Department to receive a grant from a Gun Violence Reduction Grant. The grant was awarded to the Frederick City Police Department with portions distributed to local agencies.

2018 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant: \$14,025.00

The Brunswick Police applied for and received funding for a mobile license plate reader. The reader was installed on a new Ford and was placed in service in November 2018. Officer Joel Storms has been assigned the vehicle with the LPR unit.

2018 Department of Justice BVP Grant: \$2,500.00

The Brunswick Police received \$2,500 towards the purchase of new bullet proof vests from the DOJ.

2018 Training:

Brunswick Police officers attended 628 hours of training in 2018. Training was related to many topics to include:

In-Service Training
Range Training & Qualifications
Less Lethal Techniques
LGIT Roll Call Training

K9 Training MML Leadership Training Taser Training Legal Updates

2018 Drug Enforcement:

Drug enforcement continues to be a focus of the agency. On March 1, 2017, Governor Larry Hogan signed an Executive Order declaring a State of Emergency in response to the heroin and opioid epidemic in Maryland and across the country. That year, Detective Jesson was assigned as the agencies drug investigator. In 2018 he continued his efforts with 21 search and seizure warrants resulting in the seizure of 3 illegal firearms, 152 grams of heroin, 1 gram of ecstasy, 1,600 grams of marijuana and 174 grams of marijuana wax. The investigations also resulted in 10 arrests and the forfeiture of \$14,916.

Officer Smith and K9 Trax also played an important role by conducting 35 drug scans. As a direct result of the K9 scans, officers recovered 63 heroin gel capsules, 15 grams of raw heroin, 3 Xanax bars, 17 grams of cocaine, 8 vials of cocaine, 8 grams of crack cocaine, 15 grams of marijuana, 4 oxycodone pills, 3 crack cocaine smoking pipes and a handgun.

Officer Smith and K9 Trax continue to participate in monthly trainings with allied agencies and receive annually certification from a master trainer.

In 2018, the Brunswick Police responded to 21 overdoses, 4 resulting in fatalities. Brunswick officers administered Narcan at 5 overdose calls with another 5 overdoses resulting in EMS administering Narcan. Several subjects required multiple doses of Narcan to revive them. Narcan was administered by responding officers on one of the overdose deaths.

2018 Special Event Staffing:

The Brunswick Police continued to support local events in our community. The events included, but were not limited to, 4th of July Fireworks, BARC events, Brunswick Railroad Days, Veterans Day Parade, Hometown Holidays and the Christmas Parade.

Though the 2nd Annual Kids, Cops and Canoes event was planned and scheduled for July 2018, heavy rains and dangerous river conditions caused the event to be cancelled. There are plans to continue the event in 2019. An additional event of partnering with the Frederick Keys for a Brunswick Police night, where local youth and officers will attend a baseball game together, is being planned. This will continue the goal of building positive relationships between officers and our community.

The Brunswick Police Department participated in the Optimist Club Fish-with-a-COP program, held in June, and the December Shop-with-a-COP. Two Brunswick Officers volunteered for each event and spent time with local children from our community.

For the third straight year, officers donated to the No Shave November activity. Funds collected were presented to the WFMD - Christmas Cash for Kids program.

2019 Goals:

The Brunswick Police Department will continue to work towards reducing the impact of the opioid epidemic and illegal narcotics trade. The agency will continue to strive to provide good customer service to our citizens and work to improve in any areas where the agency may fall short.